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Our Founder Father Michael McGivney

Fr. McGivney, was a priest in the St. Mary's Parish in New Haven. He founded the Knights of Columbus 138 years ago to enable Catholic men to support one another and their families with spiritual and temporal needs. On May 27, 2020, Pope Francis approved a decree recognizing a miracle attributed to Fr. McGivney's intercession, qualifying Fr. McGivney for beatification, and bestowing the title "Blessed" on him. This is one step prior to sainthood. An additional miracle attributed to Father McGivney's intercession will be required for his canonization as a saint.



"Men's Prayer Breakfast Monroe" Led by: Deacon Michael Stewart & * Brother Knight Elliott Alfredson.

The "Regular Joe" is Catholic men inviting men to a comfortable environment for learning, living, strengthening, and "Sharing of our Faith". We meet at our Council every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the Month. Meetings are 5:45 AM till 7a.m. Looking for a way to start your day the right way? Stop by and take part in this great program! We hope to you soon!



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From Our Grand Knight

Greetings Worthy Brother & Lady Knights of Council #1266!

It is my privilege to extend greetings to all Brother Knights and Lady Knights of Council #1266. Thank you for your continued confidence in allowing me to serve you another fraternal year. The officers and I pledge to continue keeping you informed of all Council business and activities. Thank you for all that we have accomplished in this past fraternal year. Our Council was awarded the distinction of Star Council, the international organization's top honor for local councils. The Star Council Award recognizes overall excellence in the areas of growing membership, promoting Knights of Columbus insurance benefits, sponsoring Catholic faith formation programs and volunteering time through service-oriented activities. Our council has supported the local Monroe Community since 1907. Currently there are 487 members serving the local Monroe Parishes of St. Anne, St. Charles, St. John, St. Mary, and St. Michael. Unfortunately, due to Covid-19, We find ourselves in uncharted waters and there is no telling when we will be able to fully operate in our usual manner. Be assured that the work we do will not change. The projects we undertake yearly may just have to be done in a different manner, however long we can support them. Again, Thanks to all of you. We want to continue growing the council and all its functions while bringing new membership to the order. Be well and God Bless!

Fraternally Yours: Joseph Dale Vitale 64th Grand Knight Council # 1266



River Raisin Assembly #0488

Hello All, My name is Doug Scavio Faithful Navigator. Our are meetings are scheduled for the 3rd Wednesday of each month, all 4 degrees of members are welcome. Meeting time is at 7pm in Hall #1 at the Monroe Council. Face mask are required. Anyone that is a 3rd degree member in good standing, can become a member of the 4th degree which is the Patriotic Degree of the Knights. The date for the next exemplification is September 26th 10:00am. It will be a virtual event and cost is \$50.00. If you are interested contact me at 419-376-0492

Doug Scavio Faithful Navigator Monroe Assembly 4th Degree #0488

Monroe Council #1266 "Goodfellows Club"



Brother Knights and Fellow "Goodfellows",

Did anyone ever seriously think that a virus would completely overwhelm our country? Let us all join in daily prayer for a vaccine cure ASAP.

Thank You, to all who had volunteered for the Spring Tootsie Roll Sale! Time will only tell if there will be a replacement Fall Tootsie Sale. If there is you can take for granted I'll be calling and pestering you as always.

Our biggest event of the year is the Goodfellows -Paper Sale and Christmas Food Box deliveries to our Counties needy. Let us all hope that by December we can proceed with our annual program! The Christmas Food Program started in 1914 and it would be a crying shame if this pandemic breaks the unbroken chain of service! Just think how our Council's Goodfellows program supplied food during the war years and even the depressions even when they were having financial problems. Stay tuned for updates as they come...

ANY member who would like to join in our service programs PLEASE contact me at:

jj1266goodfellows@gmail.com We are always hunting for additional help!

PGK Jay Jondro Sr.
President Monroe Goodfellows

From Our Chaplain

As we have moved through these last months in which nothing is as it once was, we have seen both the worst and best of humanity. The pandemic has invited us to open our eyes to see how much we take for granted, and how much we need our faith in God, as well as one another. It is our choice to respond to this challenging time with our best or worst. In addition to the pandemic, the civil unrest, highlighting of racial injustice, and political rhetoric has taken its toll on us, as we see in our families and communities.

As Catholics, we choose to respond with our best, guided by our faith which needs to be renewed and strengthened on a regular basis. Although the pandemic has disrupted our life as a Church, we are still God's family, and we have so much to do to serve others in Jesus' name, especially those who fall through the cracks and don't have the basic necessities for a peaceful and dignified life.

How do you respond to the bad news that we hear each day? How have you tried to keep your focus forward in these uncertain and anxious times? Thank you for you witness to hope as joyful missionary disciples. Thank you for your involvement in the charitable works of our council and order even now. Know the joy of the Risen Lord Jesus who sent us the Holy Spirit, and share it as a joyful missionary disciple. We need each other, as none of us can walk this journey of life alone without getting off the path of discipleship and holiness.

I thank you for your continued prayers and support for the clergy as we try to lead and serve in these times of constant flux and limited Church activities. Pray for our newly ordained priests. Pray for all those in transition, especially Fr. Phil Ching as he has moved on to his new assignment in Richmond and Memphis, Michigan, in St. Clair County, as well as Fr. Kishore Battu, whom we welcome to St. Michael parish.

Keep safe as we look with hope to what God has in store for us, walking by faith, not by mere sight.

Third Degree Chaplain Father David Burgard





Brother Knights,

I pray for God's protection on our Councils officers, each Knight and their families during this pandemic.

Currently without bingo and very little hall rental income our credit union balances are obviously. It is uncertain how long the pandemic will keep us from earning the income we need to operate. It seems the Governor's orders are changing constantly with regards to opening up our building for fund raising.

We welcome any ideas that will generate income. I want to thank PGK Jerry Cawood for sharing a 50/50 to raise money. Tickets are available in the lounge.

Also thanks to Sharon, Thursday lunches are back. Please support us when you can. We will follow all guidelines as required by the State.

We have openings for Directors of the Building Association. Please consider volunteering for one of the following positions. One opening is for a 1 Year term, and there are two openings for a 3 Year term. The next meeting is Sept. the 9th, please try to attend.

As always please remember the Knights of Columbus Building Association when planning your will. Thanks!

Dave VanAcker Building Association President

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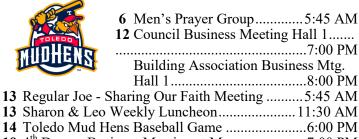
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Council #1266 Calendar

(Please check the Council Website for changes to the Calendar)

August 2020



11:30 AM
6:00 PM
7:00 PM
5:45 AM
11:30 AM
11:30 AM

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September 2020

2 Council Blood Drive Hall #1

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To l	KEEP THE BEAT GOING 3 Regular Joe - Sharing	g Our Faith
	Meeting	5:45 AM
3	Sharon & Leo Weekly Luncheon	11:30 AM
	Labor Day	
	Council Business Meeting Hall 1	
	Building Association Business Meeting H	all 18:00 PM
16	4 th Degree Business Meeting at Monroe	7:00 PM
	Regular Joe - Sharing Our Faith Meeting	
	Sharon & Leo Weekly Luncheon	
	First Day of Autumn	



October 2020

	1 Regular Joe-Sha	ring Our raim
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8 Sharon & Leo	Weekly Luncheon	

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NOVEMBER 2020

1 Daylight Savings Time & All Saints Day.	All Day
3 ELECTION DAY – VOTE!	8:00 AM
5 Regular Joe-Sharing Our Faith Mtg	5:45 AM
5 Sharon & Leo Weekly Luncheon	11:30 AM
11 Blood Drive Hall #1	
11 Flag Day – Veteran Day	
11 Exemplification Meeting Hall 1 & 2	
11 Council Business Meeting Hall #1	
11 Building Association Meeting Hall 1	
12 Sharon & Leo Weekly Luncheon	
14 Craft Show in Halls 1 & 2	
18 4 th Degree Business Meeting Hall 1	7:00 PM
19 Regular Joe-Sharing Our Faith Mtg	5:45 AM
19 Sharon & Leo Weekly Luncheon	
26 Thanksgiving Day - No Lounge Luncheo	



DECEMBER 2020

3 Regular Joe-Sharing Our Faith Mtg 5:45 AM
3 Sharon & Leo Weekly Luncheon
5 Goodfellows Paper Sale-Meet At Lounge 8:00 AM
9 Council Business Meeting Hall 17:00 PM
9 Building Association Meeting in Hall 18:00 PM
10 Sharon & Leo Weekly Luncheon 11:30 AM
16 4 th Degree Business Meeting Hall #17:00 PM
17 Regular Joe-Sharing Our Faith Mtg 5:45 AM
17 Sharon & Leo Weekly Luncheon
19 Council & Clergy Appreciation Dinner 6:00 PM
23 Goodfellows Pack Food Boxes6:00 PM
24 Goodfellows Food Boxes Delivery 8:00 AM
24 Christmas Eve Day - No Lounge Luncheon

25 Christmas Day



PLEASE - Continue to check the Council website AND your emails for updates on all the events listed on this calendar.
All of the events are subject to change due to Covid-19 Pandemic State restrictions.